

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated December 14, 2005, please consider the preceding amendments and the following remarks made in a good faith attempt to move prosecution of this application forward to a proper allowance of the claims.

Please note that any and all fees associated with this response, including any applicable extension fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.136, and any fees for newly presented claims, may be charged to the deposit account of the undersigned, **Account No. 50-0894**.

Applicant here requests such extensions under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 as may be necessary to render this response timely.

Please note that claims 1-3 have been canceled and new claims 4-5 been added and do not contain new matter. As such, Applicant believes claims 4-5 to be in condition for allowance.

Amendments to Claims

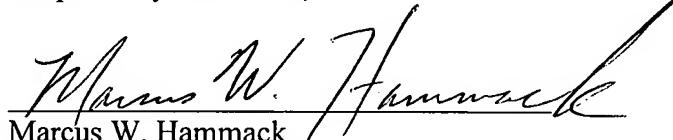
Claims 1-3 currently stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Examiner remarks, “with respect to claim 1, lines 9 and 17, the term ‘reversible’ appears to be improper and should be deleted.” Office Action, paragraph 2. In response, new claims 4-5 have deleted the term “reversible.”

Additionally, claim 1 currently stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Geister (3758891). In response, claim 1 has been canceled. Examiner further remarks, “claims 2 and 3 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.” Office Action, paragraph 5. In response, claims 2-3 have

been canceled, and new claims 4 and 5 have been added for the purpose of rewriting claims 2-3 in independent form. As such, Applicant submits that claims 4-5 are in condition for allowance.

Applicant respectfully submits, that in view of the preceding, Claims 4-5 are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are hereby requested, and allowance of Claims 4-5 at an early date is solicited. If impediments to allowance of the claims remain and a telephone conference between the undersigned and the examiner would help remove such impediments in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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